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Hearing the man's voice, Luna, who was already prepared to be hit, paused slightly.

Joshua?

When she retracted her hands and looked in the direction of the voice...

Standing in front of her, the towering man was holding Ben's wrist in his fist.

The veins on Ben's forehead protruded violently, it was obvious he was using all his strength, trying his best to plant his fist on Luna's face.

But Joshua firmly controlled him with just a single hand. As if effortless.

Luna was stunned for a second.

"Luna! Come here!" Gwen's voice rang out behind her. She paused, and hurriedly stepped back to stand beside Gwen.

Gwen held her hand, massaging it, and said, confused, "When did Joshua arrive?"

"He has been following us since we left the hospital." Beside them, Luke still had his arms crossed over his chest as he leaned on the wall, his gaze flitting toward Luna. "He must've been worried something would happen to her."

He stretched lazily. "If I didn't know Joshua was married, I would think he's pursuing her. Last night

when we went in to save her, he didn't even bother

negotiating with me, everything was acceptable as long as I saved her."

As he spoke, the man chuckled, "And yet he's a businessman. Doesn't he know his enemy can easily

catch hold of his Achilles heel when he does things without regard for anything else."

Luke could almost confirm now that Joshua's Achilles heel was...

He looked at Luna again. She was pretty, but not enough to move cities. Not to the extent where

Joshua would be willing to disregard everything for her, was she?

Luna's face paled at the man's words.

Gwen glared at Luke in rebuke. "Pursuing her? Don't talk nonsense! Not even when the end of the

world is upon us."

Luna repeated her last sentence. "Yes, he would never have feelings for me, not even when the end of

the world is upon us."

Back then, she stayed beside him every day, taking care of him meticulously. And yet he never had

feelings for her, not even slightly. In the end, he even discarded her.

Back then, it was Aura, and now it was Alice.

He was actually a fickle-minded man, easily falling out of love.

She believed he was only so nice to Alice now because he was touched that she 'gave him two children '.

When he grew tired of her...

He would discard Alice ruthlessly, just like how he discarded her back then.

Even in a different body, she still failed to touch his heart.

"Mr. Lynch, this is between me, Luna and Gwen, it has nothing to do with you!" In the distance, Ben could not overpower Joshua, so he shrugged his hand off harshly.

He glanced at Gwen coldly as he took the tissue Clover passed to him and wiped at the bloodstains on his face. "You should've told me earlier if you

don't want to get a divorce. This morning, you signed the papers so readily, I thought you were really a woman who knows her value. Who knew at night you would come here and stop me, and even ask

your friend to punch me?"

Gwen's frown deepened. "I didn't know you would come here." With that, she sucked in a deep breath and shifted her gaze to Luna. "Can you hand me my suitcase?"

Luna nodded and dragged the suitcase over. Gwen laughed bitterly and unzipped the suitcase.

Besides the wedding album that Luna just saw, the inner pocket of the suitcase was filled with her and Ben's wedding photos. With trembling hands, Gwen took out the photos one by one and threw them onto the ground.

"Today, I kept telling myself, you're a traditional man. Your mindset tells you that you can't accept such a wife. It doesn't matter, even if we get divorced, I will still cherish the memories you gave me. But now..." The woman closed her eyes, tears falling from the corners of her eyes. "I was wrong. I'm the only one who has been treasuring these memories."

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"You divorced me this morning, in the afternoon you've already found a girlfriend, and now at night you bring your new girlfriend to your old home. Ben Zeller. You're not worth the time that I spent crushing on you."

With that, she sucked in a deep breath, turned and looked at Luke who was holding his lighter, getting ready to light himself a cigarette and watch the show. "Can I borrow a light please?"

Luke shrugged, walked over and bent down, held his lighter, and ripped out Gwen's prettiest solo portrait, then lit the rest of the photos on fire.

Finally, he handed the photo he ripped out to Gwen. "For commemorative purposes."

Gwen shook her head. "Just burn it."

She did not need to commemorate something like this.

Luke raised his lips in a faint smile, looked at Gwen with a mild interest in his eyes and slipped the photo into his pocket.

The photos were lit aflame.

Amidst the roaring fire, Ben laughed coldly, "Even if you didn't burn them, I would."

Gwen closed her eyes tightly, but remained silent.

When there was nothing left of the photos but a pile of ashes, she held Luna's hand. "Let's go."

Luna nodded and helped her into the chair with Luke's assistance. Beside them, Ben snorted, turned and got ready to leave. But he had just taken a few steps away when he was stopped by Joshua.

He frowned. "What else do you want, Mr. Lynch? "

Joshua laughed coldly, then called out behind him, " Zach, Yuri! "

The two tall and burly bodyguards immediately rushed to him. "Mr. Lynch! "

"Did the two of you see how he tried to hit Luna just now?"

"Yes, we did! "

"I 'll leave him up to you." With that, he turned and boarded a car that was parked in the near distance.

Seeing him board the car, Luna suddenly realized the car Joshua was in... had indeed been following

them all the way from the hospital. She even noticed this car at the entrance of the hotel and

downstairs, outside the hospital.

She thought it was just a coincidence.

But in fact... so it turned out he had been following her since the moment she walked out of the door?

Luna sent Gwen back to the hospital. It was already past 10 p.m. at night after everything was settled.

She released a long sigh of relief after stepping out of the hospital. Everything that happened today

seemed like a dream. So cruel that they did not seem like reality.

She always thought, compared to herself, Gwen was lucky and happy. She was happily married to Ben, whom she once had a crush on, and they seemed to love each other. This was more than what Luna could ever hope for.

But a sudden accident... turned Gwen into a pitiful woman like her.

"Is she okay?" Suddenly, Joshua's voice rang out beside her ears.

Luna pulled herself together, then realized the black car was still parked beneath the hospital.

He sat in the passenger seat with the windows open, looking at her with emotionless eyes.

"She cried again, but she's sleeping now, she's fine." Joshua nodded. "Get in. I'll bring you supper."

Luna rubbed her flattened stomach. She did not have a proper meal at all today.

Joshua brought her to a little restaurant nearby. After settling down in a little private room, she glanced

at his right hand that was still hanging from his neck in a sling. "Do you still need me to feed you?"

"No." He shook his head, and lifted his spoon with his left hand, "I practiced for a bit, I can manage."

With that, he threw a glance at her. "Did you lose faith in marriage? After seeing what happened between Gwen and Ben."

"I've lost interest in marriage a long time ago."

"You haven't been divorced, why would you lose interest in marriage?" Luna laughed, "I've been divorced before. My ex- husband was an a**hole."

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Joshua's hands that were holding his fork and spoon paused slightly. Finally, he laughed lightly,

"Because you're a divorcee and your ex-husband is a jerk, that's why you secretly kidnapped Neil and Nellie and raised them as your own?"

Luna raised her glass and harshly gulped down a mouthful of warm water, then shifted her eyes to

Joshua. "You can say that."

Joshua raised his glass as well. "Why didn't you have any children when you were with your ex-husband?"

"He doesn't deserve to have children." Placing her glass down, Luna lifted her cutlery and continued eating. "He had an affair when I needed him the most, and even wanted to kill me to please his side piece. What do you think, does he deserve to have children?"

If she was not already pregnant back then, she really did not want to have his children.

He did not deserve them.

Even after she gave birth to them, Luna staunchly believed the three children belonged to her and her alone.

They had nothing to do with Joshua.

When she said these words, her eyes were fixed straight on Joshua.

Her gaze made him feel confused. As if he was the man who discarded her and hurt her.

He twisted his brows and turned to face away from her. "Then? You let him off the hook just like that?"

Luna curled her lips up in a cold smirk. "I don't plan to let him off the hook. But he's too powerful, I don't

have the means to exact revenge yet."

Joshua nodded faintly. "If you need any help, you can come to me anytime."

Looking at him like this, Luna smiled in a taunting sneer, "Sure."

Both of them nursed their own thoughts and worries as they ate.

When they returned to the hotel, Luna immediately spotted Alice who was waiting at the entrance to the

hotel. Under the dim yellow glow of the streetlights, her slim and petite figure stood at the entrance,

looking especially lonely and pitiful.

When they drew closer, Luna realized she seemed to have cried, her eyes red and puffy.

The car rolled to a stop in front of the hotel.

Joshua got down first. The woman immediately rushed into his arms, her eyes soft and teary, her voice thick and nasally, as if she had been crying. “Joshua, you’re finally back! I had a nightmare!”

Joshua laughed at her innocent and silly ways, “Even if you had a nightmare, you don’t have to stand here waiting in front of the hotel in your pajamas.”

He pinched her nose delicately, then slung his arm around her and they both walked into the hotel together.

The moment the doors slid open, he instinctively turned and looked back.

The car was still parked in its original spot, silent and unmoving. Luna never left the car.

“You’re not leaving?”

In the driver’s seat, Lucas turned and glanced at her helplessly. “Sir and Madam should be back in their room by now.”

Only then did Luna recover her wits. She glanced at Luna with emotionless eyes. "Do you have a cigarette? I need one."

Lucas threw her an odd glance in rebuke. "You smoke?"

"No." Luna heaved out a long sigh, "But I sort of feel like smoking."

The next day, Luna was awakened by Lucas's shouts.

Because of the incident with Gwen, the few meetings in Banyan City that Joshua had scheduled for yesterday afternoon were all delayed.

That was why they had to return to Banyan City as early as possible today. They still had an extensive number of issues to take care of.

Sitting in the passenger seat on the drive back to Banyan City, Luna gazed deeply at the cityscape.

This had been her home for zo years. After she left today, she did not know when was the next time she would return.

"According to our reporter on the ground, Dennis Walter of the Walter Group has been accused by many companies of using illegal methods to build a competitive business edge for themselves. If the accusations are indeed true to fact, Mr. Walter might be sentenced to life imprisonment."

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The radio kept replaying the news surrounding the Walter family that happened in the past few days. “

Before the accusations against the Mr. Dennis Walter were raised, the only heir to the Walter Group,

Ms. Hailey Walter committed suicide by jumping off a building. The Walter Group is now an empire that

has lost its king and is about to overrun...”

Luna closed her eyes. She wondered whether Gwen had heard about this piece of news. If she did, at

least she would feel slightly comforted, right?

At this thought, she took out her phone, intending to check Gwen had sent her any new messages, but

instead saw the new status update posted by Ben.

‘Inspecting my injuries at the police station, the Larson family, you better watch out! I will be requesting

compensation!’

The accompanying pictures were of his injured arm and swollen cheeks as a result of their scuffle the

other day.

Luna knew his injuries must have been Zach and Yuri’s handiwork. She stared at her phone for a long

while, then finally liked the two pictures posted by Ben.

“Lucas, please switch off the radio.” Right then, Alice’s slightly weak voice drifted over from the backseat. “I want to take a nap.”

Then, Joshua sounded concerned when he said, “ Why do you look so pale, are you sick?”

Luna rolled her eyes at the sounds of them being lovey-dovey and intimate, shifting her gaze to the scenery outside the window.

Lucas hurriedly switched off the radio that was still reporting the news on the Walter family. In the backseat, Alice closed her eyes and gritted her teeth silently, wrapped up in Joshua’s arms.

This was all Luna’s fault!

She had a fool-proof plan. When she completed her plastic surgery and turned into an exact replica of Luna, she would go to Banyan City and seek out Joshua, becoming the love of his life.

But she never expected that by the time she returned home, Joshua would already have Luna by his side, and his two little bastard children.

If it was not because of Luna and her two kids, she and Joshua would be head over heels for each other right now.

But then what happened?

Even till now, Joshua still treated her with cool detachment. Even though he never indicated that he wanted to abandon her, he never looked at her with the flaming heat and desire that he had for Luna.

In this trip back to Sea City, since it was her strong- hold, she thought she could destroy Luna once at all.

But unexpectedly, not only did she lose a puppet that she could use as her double, even Liam was defeated and now her father was about to be incriminated and sent to prison! The entire Walter family was about to break apart!

At this thought, Alice gritted her teeth in fury and hatred.

It was all Luna's fault!

All of this would not have happened, if it was not for her! The Walter family would not fall! No, Walter was still standing. They still had her, she was their last trump card. As long as she got rid of Luna and the two little bastards, and regained her position in Joshua's heart, it was only a matter of time before the Walter family regained their past glory.

At this thought, she was determined.

No matter what, she had to destroy Luna, the thorn in her side!

Their journey lasted throughout the entire morning, and in the afternoon, they finally arrived back at

Banyan City.

Luna slept all the way through. When she awoke, she noticed there was a message from Gwen on her

phone. Luke had already transferred her to a new hospital. Gwen sent her photos of the new hospital.

The environment was perfect, with peach blossoms growing in full bloom in the yard. After replying to

Gwen's message, she lay in the passenger seat and stretched lazily. "Lucas, you can just drop me off

at the Swan Lake Residences when you pass by the area."

That morning, Neil and Nellie had already sent her a message, informing her they would be waiting for

her at the Swan Lake Residences.

"Luna."

The moment her words left her mouth, Alice, who was sitting in the backseat suddenly said, "Neil and

Nellie are still staying with you, right? Please call them and ask them to wait downstairs. We'll pick

them up when you get off. I haven't seen the children in a long time, I miss them. It would be nice to

have them come home and stay with us for a few days.”

She glimpsed at Luna’s pale expression through the rearview mirror. “You haven’t given birth yet, so you don’t understand how much a mother will miss her children after being apart from them for a long time.” As she spoke, she even shifted her eyes to Joshua for a short glimpse. “Dear, you miss them too, right? The four of us have been apart for so long, it’s time we reunite as a family, don’t you think so?”

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The air in the car turned silent. Luna’s whole body stiffened.

She had not seen both Neil and Nellie for days. This was the longest time she had spent apart from them since she gave birth to them six years ago.

She missed them dearly.

From the calls they shared this morning and yesterday in the afternoon, she knew the children missed her dearly too.

The fire in her heart that was burning with excitement at the thought of meeting her children was cruelly

extinguished by Alice's cold words, instead turning cold and frosty.

Alice was doing this on purpose. She did not have any feelings for Neil and Nellie. She was just trying to get to her, to get to the children.

"Joshua?" Noticing Joshua's continued silence, Alice even called out to him softly.

Only then did he blink and recover his wits. He coughed slightly, raised his eyes and looked at Luna from the back as she sat in the passenger seat. "We'll do as Alice says."

No matter what, Alice was still their mother. Even though she had not lived with the children throughout the six years of their lives, after all, blood was thicker than water. Besides, Alice and the children were never close. This was one of the rare times she initiated a reunion with the children, there was no reason for him to reject her.

Luna's hands clenched into fists by her side, her nails cutting deep crescents into her palms. She bit her lip, holding on to the delusional idea that she might be able to spend some time with her children.

"What about at night... can I have an afternoon with them..."

She wanted to hold them and hug them tightly in her arms. Cook them a sumptuous lunch and just

spend an afternoon with them. This was her most humble and lowly wish as a mother.

But Alice was determined to rob her of such an opportunity.

“But I really miss the babies.” To make Joshua agree, she even used a term of endearment like ‘babies’

to describe Neil and Neillie. “Joshua, don’t tell me you don’t miss them?”

Joshua’s blinking eyes paused suddenly. Of course, he did. Before they left for Sea City, he had

arranged for Lily to stay in Luna’s apartment at the Swan Lake Residences to take care of the two

children’s daily life and at the same time... to send him some photos.

His phone was filled with photos that Lily sent him. They were his precious treasure. He even cherished

the photos of his two little children so much, what more their physical presence.

He frowned. “Why not do it this way. Alice and I are their birth parents, while Luna is their foster mother,

all of us love the children. We have been apart for too long, neither can bear to be apart from them any

longer. Why not Luna go and bring them down later, and follow us back to Blue Bay Villa.”

The man’s words made both Alice and Luna pause slightly.

“No.”

“I don’t think that’s a good idea.”

Both women opened their mouths simultaneously. Deadly silence once again enveloped the car.

Finally, Alice took a glimpse at her phone then laughed lightly as she said, “Then we’ll just do as

Joshua says. We are a family after all, we shouldn’t argue over a minor disagreement like this, don’t

you think?”

Luna bit her lip harshly. She wanted to reject it. Fervently so. But at the moment, in everyone’s eyes,

she was just their foster mother. She did not have a say in these matters.

Sucking in a deep breath, she closed her eyes in despair. “We’ll do as he says then.”

“Luna is so kind.” Alice lay in Joshua’s arms, her lips lifting in a self-satisfied smile. On the screen of

the phone in her hands, a message from a servant at the Blue Bay Villa was displayed.

“Adrian Lynch and Granny Lynch are already waiting in the Villa.”

Very soon, the car arrived at the Swan Lake Residences.

Luna climbed out of the car with a weary heart and headed upstairs.

“Welcome home, Mommy!”

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“Mommy! I miss you so much!” Nellie said.

She took her keys, and the moment she opened the door to the apartment, the two children rushed out like two little tornadoes.

Neil and Nellie each hugged one of her legs, chattering away in excitement.

“Mommy, I knew you would come back at this hour, but Neil insisted you would come back later! “

“Mommy, in the past few days that you weren’t home, I asked Lily to teach me how to make coffee! I made your favorite Arabica coffee! “

“Mommy, I have it all planned out, you can’t go anywhere this afternoon. Just stay at home, read me stories and build Legos with Neil! “

“Mommy...”

Luna lowered her eyes, looked at the two black little heads in front of her, the words were at the tip of her tongue, but she just could not spit them out.

Behind her, Lily stood in the living room, looking at her with a smile on her face. “Ms. Luna, they purposely took a day off from school to wait for you. Since this morning, they were particularly excited,

decorating the house as if it was the holiday season.”

Only then did Luna notice the decorations hanging in the living room. Colorful banners were strung across the walls, their longing for written clearly across the banners in sloppy, childish writing.

Glued to the middle of the wall were a row of flowers that were shaped into words: Welcome home,

Mommy!

Looking at the festive decorations in the room, Luna’s heart was warm yet in pain, as if it had been burned by something hot.

She suppressed her tears of agitation and knelt down, “Neil, Nellie. Joshua’s car is still downstairs. “

Immediately, there was a change in Neil’s expression. Meanwhile, Nellie cocked her head to the side and looked at her mother in confusion. “What’s Daddy doing downstairs?”

“He’s waiting for us to go down.” The woman held out her hand gently and ruffled the little girl’s hair. “

He misses the two of you too. And... Alice is here. She also wants to see the two of you. So, let’s go downstairs, and follow them back to Blue Bay Villa, okay?”

The little girl’s expression fell in an instant. She shook her head fervently, “No, no, no! Alice is so, so fierce! I don’t like her! I don’t want to go home! “

Luna closed her eyes, her heart aching in her chest. How she wished they did not have to go home. If

possible, she wanted to bring Neil and Nellie with her and leave Banyan City, go abroad to reunite with

Nigel. Then their family could finally live happily together.

But...

She bit her lip, holding Nellie's hand and said quietly, "Come on, be a good girl."

The little girl's eyes were bright with tears, she did not want to leave but had no choice in the matter. "

But..."

"No buts."

Neil sighed, "If Mommy had a choice, she wouldn't agree to this. Let's go. Mr. Lynch and Ms. Gibson

are not a danger to us."

With that, the little guy held his sister's hand. "Lily, please bring me my jacket and my book bag."

Lily paused, then hurriedly nodded, and rushed into the room, packing the two children's belongings.

"Mommy, don't forget, you owe us one." Neil put on his jacket and said in a whine, "We wanted to

spend the whole day with you. You have to compensate us in the future! "

Luna nodded vigorously. "Okay! "

Ten minutes later, the three of them walked downstairs together. Lily followed behind them, dragging their suitcases.

"Neil, my little baby! " Seeing them come downstairs, Alice flung her arms wide open and rushed up to

Neil, then knelt down and hugged him. "Mommy missed you so much! "

Neil frowned slightly and placed his lips next to her ear. "Ms. Gibson, aren't you tired of acting?"

Alice narrowed her eyes slightly, then lowered her voice, "In terms of acting, your mother's acting skills are far superior to mine, no?"

Neil snorted and pushed her away, then strode forward with his short, stubby legs and climbed into the car. The little guy sat down in the backseat, then leaned back elegantly on the leather seat, finally side-eyeing Joshua lazily. "Mr. Lynch, long time no see."

Joshua could not help but lift his lips in a smile at the little boy's antics. "Indeed, long time no see." "I

remember, before you left, you wanted to divorce Ms. Alice." As he spoke, the little guy glanced at

Joshua out of the corners of his eyes. "Tell me, why did you change your mind after a trip to Sea City?"

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Joshua raised his eyebrows.

He never expected this would be the first question his son would ask him after spending days apart from each other.

He glanced at his son out of the corners of his eyes. “ You seem reluctant to see your Mommy and I reconcile with each other?”

Neil paused. He turned his head, looked at Joshua solemnly, then lifted two fingers.

“Firstly, I never accepted Ms. Alice Gibson. To me, she was never my Mommy. My Mommy is Luna.

Secondly, my likes or dislikes, are they important to you, Mr. Lynch? If you really considered our thoughts and feelings, then you would not force my sister and I to do the things we do not want to do, for example, taking us back to Blue Bay Villa now. Finally, I don't care about you and Alice, I just wanted to find out why your attitude toward her

took a 180 degree turn after returning from Sea City.”

Before they left, they were already separated, and had even announced they would set a date and sign the divorce papers. But not long after they arrived in Sea City, they reconciled and were as loving as

ever. And, from the looks of it, they had even grown more intimate with each other than before.

Joshua narrowed his eyes slightly. What caused the change in his attitude toward Alice? It had to be

the night after the banquet. That night, he was drunk,

and that was the first time he was intimate with Alice after they reunited. He found the feeling he had

back then when he was with Luna Gibson. His memories of that night were fuzzy. But the way she

called him dear, time and time again, made him reluctant to divorce her.

Even if Alice had turned into the woman that she was right now. But still, she was still the woman who

once gave up everything for him, the woman who he missed and yearned for for six whole years.

The next morning after he woke up, he looked at Alice who lay in bed beside him, and suddenly, he did

not want to divorce her anymore.

It was all his fault. If back then, she was not with him, then she would not have to go through all of this,

and would not turn into the woman she was right now.

He was the one who turned her, took away her kindness and innocence.

If now, he discarded her again with a fling of his hand, then she would have nothing. That's why he

chose to patiently bear with everything that she did, and remain married to her. He believed deep

down; she was still as kind as always. If he tried hard enough, she would turn into the Luna Gibson who she once was.

But he could not explain all these to his son.

And so, the man sucked in a deep breath and laughed lightly, "It must be love that changed my mind, made me decide not divorce her."

Even though the children did not understand the concept of love, in their memories, they remembered, it must be love that kept their parents together, right?

The moment the words left Joshua's mouth; Neil snorted dismissively, "Your love... comes and goes so easily."

Joshua was slightly irritated. "Neil, I have loved your Mommy for years."

What did he mean when he said it came and went so easily?

The little guy rolled his eyes, then waved to his sister standing outside who was hesitating between which car to ride in. "Get in! "

Nellie paused, then ran over to him with her stubby little legs. After the little girl entered the car, Neil

locked the door immediately. "It will be just the three of us in this car."

Then, he closed his eyes and leaned back on the seat. "I'm going to take a nap, wake me when we're there."

Nellie nodded seriously. "Okay, sleep tight, Neil! "

With that, the little girl turned and looked out the window, not at all intending to address her father.

The man frowned. In the past, Nellie was the closest to him. But now...

He coughed slightly, "Nellie."

The little girl did not even bother to turn back, " Anything, Mr. Lynch?"

Joshua looked at her stubborn little head from the back. "You seem to be angry at me?"

"I would never dare get angry at Daddy." There was a chill in the little girl's sweet voice, "Mr. Lynch

doesn't even allow Mommy to spend time alone with us. You're so domineering, I would never dare talk to you so casually."

Joshua was silent.

Alice was the one who came up with the idea of taking the children home, so she could bond with them. Initially, he wanted to take this opportunity to make the children grow closer to Alice.

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At the same time, he did miss them a lot, it had been a long time since he last saw them. That's why he suggested bringing everyone to Blue Bay Villa so they could all reunite.

But it seemed like...

He only succeeded in making both the children and Luna mad at him?

The cars drove on.

A short while later, the line of cars stopped in front of Blue Bay Villa.

When Luna stepped out of the car where Yuri and Zach kept the luggage, Alice had already stepped out too.

Standing outside Joshua's car, she hung a fake smile on her face. "Nellie, come here, Mommy will carry you into the house! "

Nellie rolled her eyes, walked past her, and headed to the door with her short, stubby legs.

Neil, on the other hand, rushed into her arms with a smile on his face. "If Nellie doesn't want you to carry her, then carry me instead! I'm not very heavy either, just slightly heavier than Nellie."

Alice heaved him up into her arms, her expression ugly, taking a step forward with incredible effort.

Neil conveniently slung his arm around her neck. "Ms. Alice, come on, I am your precious little baby, it'll

be bad if I fall on the group and get hurt! "

Alice's expression turned uglier and uglier.

Beside them, the more she watched them, the more Luna wanted to laugh. Actually, Neil was not very

heavy. When they were living abroad, she could carry both Neil and Nellie together at the same time.

Even though Neil was not heavy, but to someone who was not used to carrying children, it would take a

lot of energy for her to do so.

Only mothers could handle some things effortlessly.

Joshua could not bear to see the way Alice carried Neil so awkwardly.

"I'll do it." The man lifted his legs and stepped forward, took Neil from her and carried him in his arms.

Alice took the opportunity and hooked her arm through his, turning her head and glanced at Luna. " Ms.

Luna, go on in."

With that, she headed in the direction of the entrance together with Joshua. Looking at the two adults

and the child, the scene looked surprisingly harmonious.

“Mommy. “ At that moment, a small hand grabbed onto hers gently. It was Nellie, who was already at the door just now. The little girl was worried Luna would feel uncomfortable, so she ran out again and held her hand. “Neil wanted to punish that woman. But who knew Daddy would be so protective of her.”

Nellie pursed her lips and held her mother’s hand. “

Let’s go in.”

Only then did Luna retract her thoughts, lifted her lips in a faint smile and entered the door holding Nellie’s hand.

“Neil, Nellie! “ The moment everyone entered the house, the agitated voices of Adrian Lynch and Granny Lynch rang out in the living room.

“I heard the two of you would be returning home today, but I thought you would only come home at night, I didn’t expect you to be home at this hour! “

Granny Lynch pulled at both children agitatedly. “I miss the two of you so much! “

Neil frowned, smiling even though he was unhappy. “Hello, Great-Granny.”

Hearing her brother address their great- grandmother, Nellie had no choice but to smile and greet the

old lady. "Great-Granny, you look even younger now! "

Hearing the two children's sweet words, the old lady's smile was so wide they could almost see down her throat.

Joshua took off his jacket and sat down on the couch. Looking on as the two old folk and the two children greeted each other happily, a sudden gush of warmth burst into his heart.

Back then when they just got married, Luna Gibson said that she wished they could have children while Granny was still alive, to let her enjoy the happiness of having four generations of the family living together.

Back then, he was impressed with her kindness. After all, from the beginning, the Lynch family actually neither welcomed nor liked her. And yet, she treated every one of them as her own family.

At this thought, he raised his eyes and glanced at Alice, then waved at her with a smile. "Come here."

Alice was surprised by his sudden display of affection, and hurried over.

He wrapped an arm around her shoulders gently and heaved out a long sigh, "Do you remember what you once said?"

Alice paused slightly. "Of... of course I remember."

With that, she was afraid Joshua would bring up the past again, and hurriedly turned and looked at

Luna who was standing at the side. "Ms. Luna, take a seat."

Luna stood in the distance and looked at the scene before her, the family she lost, and a sense of melancholy burst in her chest.

Alice's words brought her harshly back to reality, instinctively looking in their direction. But the moment she turned her head, she saw Adrian's furious face instead. He stalked toward her, infuriated. "How dare you come to our house again!"

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"Slap — —!"

Before everyone could react, the sound of a loud slap echoed throughout the living room.

Luna's head was knocked to the side from the impact, the sweet, iron-like taste of blood filled her mouth, and blood dripped down the corners of her lips.

"Mommy! " "Mommy — —!"

Sitting on both sides of the old lady, the two children instinctively jumped up from the couch and flew to

Luna's side.

One of them held her hand carefully, stepping in front of her, trying to protect her, while the other calmly

took some tissues from the table beside them and handed them to Luna.

The sight of the two children protecting her made Joshua frown. Beside him, Alice snorted deep down in her chest, but on the surface, worry filled her expression, "Neil, quick, bring your sister here." Then, she glanced at the little gentleman who was handing Luna tissues.

"This is between your Grandpa and Aunty Luna. It's a matter for adults, don't poke your nose where it doesn't belong."

Neil glared at her coldly, then suddenly turned and started taking care of their mother together with Nellie.

Then, Alice acted like a calm, level-headed adult and said, "Adrian, what are you doing, you scared the children."

Adrian snorted coldly, "What am I doing? Doesn't she know what she did?"

Luna took the tissues Neil offered her and wiped the blood from the corners of her lips, smiling coldly

as she said, "Master Lynch, you're an old man, and yet the way you vent your emotions is by hitting a woman? This is the first time I'm experiencing something like this! "

Adrian's face was filled with fury. "Do you know why I slapped you?"

He glared at her viciously. "I've known Dennis Walter for more than 30 years! I know full well what kind of a man he is! If he had a choice, he would not act against a woman! "

He fixed his eyes on Luna, so angry flames were about to burst out of his eyes. "Tell me, how did you kill Hailey?! "

Luna paused. Then, she tugged at her lips, and laughed coldly, "So, you think I was the one who killed Hailey, that's why Dennis Walter would do those things to me, and was finally captured?"

Adrian glared at her, his eyes almost popping out of his skull in fury. "Is that not the truth? You killed his only daughter, is that not the truth?"

Luna looked at him coldly, her gaze as chilly as the ancient glaciers. "Oh? I killed Hailey Walter?"

She changed into a comfortable position and sat directly down on the couch. Neil and Nellie sat down too, one on her left and the other on her right.

The little girl held her arm out in front of her, fiercely keeping her gaze locked on Adrian as if she would not only use her body to block him if he decided to hurt Luna again but also rush forward and bite him.

Neil, on the other hand, adopted the same position as his mother, crossing his arms across his chest and looking at Adrian.

His gaze did not seem as if he was looking at his own grandfather, but instead as if he was looking at a long-lost enemy.

The scene in front of him further stoked the flames in Adrian's chest. The blood of the Lynch family flowed through the veins of both of these children, but now, when he and Luna were at loggerheads, not only did the two children take her side, they even looked at him as if he was their enemy?

He frowned and glared at Joshua. "Discipline your children! They belong to our family, the Lynch family, and not Luna's family! "

Joshua raised his teacup calmly, took a sip of the warm tea, and said, "I can't. My relationship with these children is like the one I share with you. In the past six years of their lives, I had never once helped them or taken care of them, that's why they won't listen to me."

He glanced at Adrian with faint, emotionless eyes. " Just like how I refuse to listen to most of the things

that you say.”

With that, he elegantly placed the now empty cup on the coffee table. “You said it too , they belong to the Lynch family.”

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“Then you should know, Luna raised them for six years. I would advise you to be nicer to Luna, otherwise, the children might not acknowledge you as their grandfather anymore.”

Adrian’s face turned purple.

On this side, Luna glanced at his expression with an elegant yet emotion less look, a careless smile lifting her lips. “Mr. Lynch, you said I killed Hailey, do you have any proof? Deciding whether someone killed someone else or not, don’t you need to speak based on the available evidence?” She rested an ankle on her knee, her voice cold and distant, “Hailey committed suicide by jumping off a building. Did I point a knife at her and force her to jump, or did I push her? If I remember correctly, when Hailey committed suicide, I was accompanying my friend as she visited her ex-husband in the hospital. There are CCTVs in the hallways and elevators in the hospital, I have a perfect alibi.”

Adrian snorted, "Don't think I don't know, before she jumped because of you, she was forced to leave Sea City and move abroad! She grew up in wealth and luxury, with the good graces of God, and because of a woman like you, she was forcefully separated from her father, and had to leave the city she lived in since she was a child, how could she take it!"

Luna laughed coldly, "Unreasonable, this word is used to describe people like you, am I right, Mr. Lynch?"

She sucked in a deep breath, and said faintly, "Then do you know why she was forced to leave Sea City? If you've never heard of the things she did to me, let me repeat them for you. I went to Sea City for work, however, at the welcoming banquet, Ms. Walter intentionally caused trouble for me. She gave me an invitation and yet purposely deleted my name from the guest list. When we visited the factories for survey purposes, she deliberately arranged for two wretched men to accompany me, harassing me orally throughout, even forcefully making physical contact with me, trying to take advantage of me time and time again. In the shop, an accident happened where it should not have happened, a huge mineral flew in my direction. If Mr. Lynch did not block them for me, I would be lying in a hospital bed right now. Of course, this is not the main incident."

She sucked in a deep breath, raised her eyes, and looked at the purple-faced Adrian, "That night, Mrs.

Lynch and Ms. Walter arranged for the other men to get me drunk. While I lay drunk in the hotel, she

sent six or seven male escorts into my room, who tried to take advantage of me while I was drunk.

Finally, she used my friend's father's life to threaten my friend, forcing her to publicly announce that I

am the mistress who destroyed Mr. Joshua Lynch's marriage."

Saying all of this out in a single breath, Luna raised her eyes and looked at Adrian with cold eyes. "Mr.

Lynch, if Ms. Walter is not your friend's daughter, if the person she harmed was a member of your

family, tell me, would you still choose to let her off the hook? After all the things that she did, if I

reported her to the police, she would definitely be handed a more severe punishment than merely

being forced to leave Sea City."

Luna's gaze was cold and stern. "Since the Walter family and you are family friends, Mr. Joshua Lynch

asked me to compromise. In the end, little Ms. Walter couldn't take it, and committed suicide. Do you

think that is my fault?"

Adrian's expression. His hands clenched into tight fists at his side.

“You’re lying! Hailey wouldn’t do things like that! “

He gritted his teeth harshly. “Hailey is a cute little girl, she’s docile and obedient, the only thing she insisted on was wanting to marry Joshua! She’s gentle and understanding, all these years, she would only lose her wits if the matter was related to Joshua. But she had long since lost interest in Joshua, even if she was still interested in him, the person she would want to deal with is definitely not you! I don’t believe she would do something like this, not at all! “

With that, he glanced at Joshua. “Joshua, what do you say?”

With a turn of his head, Adrian was stunned. Standing beside Joshua, Alice’s eyes were filled with tears of agitation. Her teary eyes...

Looked exactly the same as Hailey’s all those years ago!